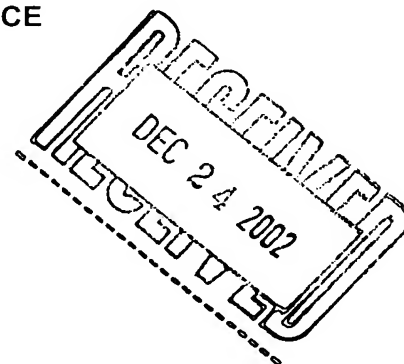




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Applicants: ARIFUKU, et al.
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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR 1.97 AND 1.98**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

December 18, 2002

Sir:

Pursuant to Applicants' duty of disclosure, enclosed please find a copy of an Supplementary European Search Report in connection with an European Patent Application corresponding to the above-identified application. Please note that of the two documents cited in the enclosed Supplementary European Search Report, Japanese Patent Document No. 10-120983 has previously been submitted in the above-identified application, with the Information Disclosure Statement filed May 24, 2002. The other cited document is enclosed herewith. Also enclosed is a Form, substantially equivalent to Form PTO-1449, listing the enclosed documents.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted prior to a first Office Action on the merits in the above-identified application. Accordingly, requirements of 37 CFR 1.97(b) are clearly satisfied.

In any event, the following Statement is made under 37 CFR 1.97(e)(1):

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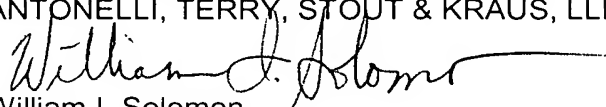
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Each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

While the enclosed Japanese Patent Document No. 11-148058 is not in English, it is respectfully submitted that requirements of 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) are satisfied by the enclosed English Abstract of the Japanese Patent Document, together with citation of the enclosed Japanese Patent Document on the enclosed Supplementary European Search Report.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all applicable requirements of 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98 have been satisfied, in connection with all documents listed on the enclosed Form. Accordingly, consideration of the listed documents, upon examination of the above-identified application, is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 566.41244X00), and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

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